

Annual Report on Virginia Room of the C. M. L. S.

In anticipation of the convening of the third meeting of the regents and vice-regents, November 6, 1912, and the assembling of the United Daughters of the Confederacy in their annual convention in our city, November 8, the usual spring cleaning was postponed until the fall.

During the several receptions and presentations of memorials while these meetings were held the Virginia Room was thronged by visitors, who were cordially received by the women of the Virginia room committee. It is pleasant to recall the very many kind expressions of appreciation of those who for the first time realized the great work which had been done and agreed with reverence upon the memorials of a cause which gave to the world the imperishable names of Lee and Jackson.

I record with pleasure that the admirable and lifelike portrait of Mrs. Jefferson Davis, painted by a gifted Southern artist, Mrs. Paul Alexander Meryowitz, and presented to the Confederate Memorial and Literary Society by the Daughters of the Confederacy, November 8, 1912, was hung in the Virginia room. The presentation address was made by Mrs. L. R. Schuyler, of New York, and received by Mrs. L. C. Daniel, the president.

The following are the relics received during the year:

Military belt, with buckle, of Major-General George Armstrong Custer. They were a part of his dress uniform in which he was married, captured by Samuel Griffin, of Bedford City, at the battle of Trevilian, in a cavalry fight made by General Wade Hampton against General Phil Sheridan. He gave the uniform to General Fitzhugh Lee. The sash was given to General T. T. Munford, who returned it to Mrs. Custer. Presented by Mrs. Samuel Griffin, through Mrs. N. V. Randolph.

Pocket pin cushion, with Confederate flag painted on both sides, given to General R. H. Callion by a young girl who passed through Frederick in the Maryland campaign. Presented by R. H. Callion.

Sword, belt and scabbard of Lodge Cotton, master's mate on the Confederate States cruiser Shenandoah. He survived at the last roll call of the crew, when the captain surrendered to the British government, seven months after Lee's surrender. The relics were carefully stored and preserved, and at last have found a safe resting place. Lodge Cotton's native city is Baltimore, Md. He now resides in Philadelphia, his occupation being a "mariner." The relics are placed in the Shenandoah case, Georgia room, as a loan by the Virginia room.

Certificate of release from Federal prison at Elkhart, N. Y., and transportation to Gordonsville, Va., June 16, 1865, to B. P. Glass, Company D, Forty-fourth Virginia, of the county of Louisa, Va. Placed with Virginia papers in the library.

Chair carved at Fort Delaware and given to Mrs. Hugh H. Morris, now Mrs. A. Ward Morris, who presents it to the museum.

Pistol taken from a Federal prisoner captured on the Dahlgren raid by William Gibson, Sr. Presented by Mrs. Margaret F. Buchanan.

Cartridge box used during the war by William Gibson, Sr. Presented by Mrs. Margaret F. Buchanan.

Military percussion cap, presented during the family of Luther R. Reins, who had charge of the powder magazine during the war.

Confederate Navy button, given by General Robert E. Lee to the daughter of General J. C. Pemberton, who gave it to Richard Robinson, Richmond, Va. Presented by his mother, Mrs. William Robinson.

Three framed printed orders, issued by Major-General W. W. Loring in Charleston, S. C., 1862. Presented in memory of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bryan by their son, Mr. Joseph Stewart Bryan.

Mallet made from a branch of the tree under which General Turner Ashby was killed, June 6, 1862, near Harrisonburg, Va., of whom General Jackson said when sending an order to his cavalry: "Turner Ashby is dead! He fell gloriously, one of the noblest men of the soldiers in the Confederate Army." In his official report he wrote:

"The close relations General Ashby bore to my command for most of the previous twelve months will justify me in saying that as a partisan officer I never knew his superior. His daring was proverbial, his powers of endurance almost incredible, his character heroic and his sagacity almost intuitive in divining the purpose and movements of the enemy."

The mallet has been placed in the case where his bugle hands in pathetic silence, never again to summon his brave men to action, but preserved among the hallowed memorials of his comrades, that great and gallant host.



MRS. J. TAYLOR ELLYSON, VICE-REGENT.

whose brave deeds will never be forgotten. Presented by the Winchester Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy.

A piece of Confederate gray with crepe attached. The piece was cut from the uniform of General T. J. Jackson, in which he received his death wound, May 2, 1863. The crepe was a fragment from mourning worn at his funeral. At twenty minutes past 2 o'clock on May 16, 1863, the soul of the great soldier passed into the peace of God, soon after his trembling lips uttered the immortal words: "Let us cross over the river and rest under the shade of the trees." Presented by Mrs. L. Williamson, a boy soldier of Company F, First Virginia Cavalry, with his photograph in military uniform.

Original "order" (framed) issued by Colonel J. S. Mosby, disbanding his command at the close of the war. Presented by Captain Robert S. Walker, to the United Daughters of the Confederacy at the annual meeting, November 11, 1911. Presented by the daughters to the museum through Mrs. N. V. Randolph.

Certificate of membership in Hood's Texas Brigade, Association of Lieutenants T. D. Rook, Company F, First Texas Regiment, Hood Texas Brigade, S. S. A. Presented by Mrs. Samuel Griffin, Bedford Chapter, United Daughters of the Confederacy. Placed in the library.

Blue homespun dress suit of Captain Andrew Jackson Grayson, with epaulettes, chapeau, white cockade and insignia. The material of which the suit was made was woven on the Grayson farm in Bland county, Virginia, by the servants.

Captain Grayson volunteered in May, 1861, at Bland Courthouse, where he organized the Bland Sharpshooters, which subsequently became Company F, Forty-fifth Virginia Regiment, and of which company he was elected captain. He was a brave soldier and beloved by all of his comrades. Presented in his memory by his daughter, Mrs. Margaret Grayson Williams.

Chair used in the office of Miss Maria Morris, who was an employee of the Confederate States government during the war, and a cabinet maker in Richmond in the sixties. Bequeathed by Miss Maria Morris.

Desk used in the Confederate Congress, in the Capitol at Richmond, presented by Hon. E. C. Folkes, member of the Virginia Senate.

Photograph of Frances Dunbar Rugles, taken from a portrait which hangs in the Washington Artillery Hall, New Orleans. This brave soldier was born in Dochester, Mass., August 17, 1827, and had lived in New Orleans but two years when the War Between the States was declared. He followed the Washington Artillery to the front in 1861, and lost his life at the battle of Mary's Heights, Fredericksburg, Va., December 13, 1862. He is buried in the General Terry lot in Hollywood Cemetery. In presenting the picture his brother says: "It is preferable that it be placed in the Virginia room, as he died and his body rests in that State, and where also his fiancée, a lady of Richmond, lived, who remained unmarried, and who died a few years ago. Presented by H. Stoddard Burgess, Wakefield, Mass."

Carved gold ring, presented by Miss Emily Mason at Camp Winder by the Bread Rioters. A libation of the bread riot was written by her and published in the Atlantic Monthly of 1861-2. The ring was bequeathed to the Confederate Museum through her niece, Miss Kate Mason Rowland.

Epaulettes of Thomas A. Dobyas, of Tappahannock, Essex county, Virginia, first lieutenant of Company A, Fifty-fourth Virginia Volunteers, C. S. A. He enlisted in April, 1861, and served to the end of the war. Deposited through Mrs. N. V. Randolph.

Epaulettes and three historic swords of General Charles Dimmock, chief of ordnance in Virginia service. General Dimmock served in the Seminole War of 1835 under General Scott, as the commander of the "Virginia State Guards," and as brigadier-general in the War Between the States. Deposited by Marion J. Dimmock, March 26, 1912.

Epaulettes of Capt. William A. Hill, of the Fork Rangers, Fourth Virginia Cavalry, General Fitz Lee's Brigade. Presented as a memorial by his daughter, Miss Conie B. M. Hill.

Silk battle flag of General Fitzhugh Lee, presented by Mrs. Fitzhugh Lee. This interesting flag is now almost in shreds, it having been taken from the frame in which it hung in the Virginia room and packed with other relics when it was withdrawn by the family.

To place these flags and all other Confederate relics in the keeping of our society, they will be free from handling and from the danger of fire and being injured or lost in moving them from place to place is a duty which those who possess them owe to the faithful women who have provided a place for their perpetual preservation.

Now that the Confederate Veterans at their annual meeting held in Macon, Ga., May 8, 1912, have for the second time adopted the recommendation of the president of the association which is building the Confederate Memorial Institute (Battle Abbey) in this city that it be not made a depository of Confederate relics such as are gathered in our Confederate Museum, I urge

that all of these articles which may have been withheld for that building be forwarded to us.

Our different State rooms in the hallowed precincts of "The White House of the Confederacy" are peculiarly adapted to the display of these memorials.

The house recent will receive any relics for the Virginia room if sent of left at the museum, Tenth and Clay Streets, with a full and authentic history of each article.

A supply of souvenir spoons has been ordered from the Gorham Company, New York. I have the pleasure to report that I made an appeal in behalf of the Virginia room to the members of the General Assembly of 1912, and succeeded in securing an appropriation through the efforts of our Richmond representative to the House of Delegates, Hon. Edwin P. Cox, of \$240 to be paid in two yearly installments. It is my hope and belief that this modest sum will be given by each succeeding Legislature. With this annual appropriation and the assistance which the Virginia Daughters are so nobly rendering, our endowment will not be long in its accomplishment.

*By paying \$10 all U. D. C. chapters can become life members of the C. M. L. S., which entitles them to our handsome life certificate to be hung in their chapter rooms. The fund is for the endowment of the several State rooms.

The Danville chapter of Virginia is the first to respond to this invitation. I acknowledge with grateful appreciation the following contributions for the endowment fund received from the Virginia Daughters through Mrs. N. V. Randolph, chairman U. D. C. Committee:

Mary Custis Lee Chapter, \$2; Rawley Martin Chapter, \$2; New River Grays Chapter, \$1; Floyd Chapter, \$1; Hail-Tax Chapter, \$1; Bristol Chapter, \$1; Kett-Buchanan Chapter, \$1; Loudoun Chapter, \$2; Hampton Chapter, \$1; Seventeenth Virginia Regiment Chapter, \$1; Bowling Green Chapter, \$2; Greenville Chapter, \$1; Holston Chapter, \$1; Warren Rides Chapter, \$1; Mildred Lee Chapter, \$1; Craig Chapter, \$1; Bethel Chapter, \$1; From Maria Tate (chapter not mentioned), \$1; John M. Daniel Chapter, \$1; Deania Mills Chapter, \$1; Dixie Chapter, \$1; Surry Chapter, \$1; Kirkwood Chapter, \$1; Fredericksburg Chapter, \$1; C. Liby Bolling, treasurer, Petersburg, \$1; Portsmouth Chapter, \$1; Danville Chapter, \$2; Middleburg Chapter, \$1; Lee-Jackson Chapter, \$1; Winn Chapter, \$1; Lee Chapter, \$1; Albemarle Chapter, \$1; Chesterfield Chapter, \$1; Stoneval Chapter, \$1; Essex Chapter, \$2; Bland Chapter, \$1; Isle of Wight Chapter, \$1; Bethel Chapter, \$1; Shenandoah Chapter, \$1; Danville Chapter, life membership, \$10. Total, \$61.

Respectfully submitted,
MRS. J. TAYLOR ELLYSON,
Virginia Vice-Regent.

HARRISONBURG

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
Harrisonburg, Va., June 8.—Mr. and Mrs. Walter Miller, of Elkton, were guests of Judge and Mrs. T. N. Haas this week.

Miss Eleanor Sublett, of Stuart Hall, and Miss Enid Sipe, of Sweet Briar College, are home for their summer vacations.

Mrs. Henry C. Early, of Washington, D. C., is visiting her daughter, Mrs. J. M. Good, in Dayton.

Miss Agnes Levadahl, teacher at Shenandoah Collegiate Institute, Dayton, will sail on the 24th for Europe to spend the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. R. J. Snapp, of Elkton, left this week for a month's sojourn in Ocean View.

Miss Etta Payne has returned from a visit to relatives in Alexandria.

Mrs. C. E. Wright, of Columbus, O., is visiting her sister, Mrs. A. P. Funkhouser, at Assembly Park.

Miss Robt. Beard left this week to attend the finals at her alma mater, Cornell University.

Miss Mary Switzer, of Marshall, Mo., is visiting her uncle, Dr. R. S. Switzer.

Mrs. C. B. Richardson, of Richmond, is visiting her father, Lieutenant L. C. Myers.

Miss Emma Hollowell, of Goldsboro, N. C., is visiting her sister, Mrs. Howard S. Byers.

Mrs. Beale Thomas and three daughters, of Arcadia, Fla., are guests of their cousin, R. Lee Woodson.

M. R. Lewis, of S. E. Lewis, Va., brother of Dr. S. E. Lewis, Jr., this week the guest of Mrs. J. E. Glenn this week.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sipe, of Bridge-water, are among those from this county attending the annual meeting of the Duncards at York, Pa.

Rev. John L. Jackson, rector of the Episcopal Church, accompanied by his mother and brother, is visiting relatives in Oldham.

Conrad Logan, teacher in Danville, is home for the summer.

Miss Russell Patterson returned several days ago from a month's visit in Virgil, N. C., Roanoke and Grottoes.

Mrs. J. E. Cannaday and little son have returned to their home in Charlestown, W. Va., after a visit to her father, General John E. Roller.

Miss Elizabeth Bell has returned to Baltimore from a visit to Mrs. Walter Miller in Baltimore.

Miss Mattie Bishop, of Greensboro, N. C., has been visiting friends in Elkton.

Mr. and Mrs. Goodspeed, of New York, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Dechert.

WINNERS

OF THE

Puzzling Pin Problem Contest

We are gratified with the unqualified success of our "Puzzling Pin Problem" Contest. Answers were received from all parts of this as well as other states.

The winning answers showed a high degree of originality and the successful participants are to be congratulated upon the cleverness and uniqueness of their entries.

The following names have been awarded prizes as noted:

- FIRST PRIZE**—\$15.00 and one gallon of Velvet Kind Ice Cream.
Mrs. Beddingfield, care Southern Express Co., Richmond, Va.
- SECOND PRIZE**—\$10.00 and one gallon of Velvet Kind Ice Cream.
G. A. McGraw, care Memorial Hospital, Richmond, Va.
- THIRD PRIZE**—\$5.00 and one gallon of Velvet Kind Ice Cream.
Bascom Roggett, 717½ Pine Street, Richmond, Va.
- FOURTH PRIZE**—\$2.50 and one gallon of Velvet Kind Ice Cream.
L. H. Robertson, Piedmont News Co., Raleigh, N. C.
- FIFTH PRIZE**—\$1.00 and one gallon of Velvet Kind Ice Cream.
Miss Katherine Woodbury, 1003 Henry Street, Roanoke, Va.

To the following one gallon of Velvet Kind Ice Cream has been awarded:

- Mrs. M. W. Glass, 711 East Leigh Street, Richmond, Va.
Raleigh Dabney, care Walter Taylor & Son, 109 North Eighteenth Street, Richmond, Va.
Miss Mary Anna Pond, Crewe, Va.
Miss Mamie C. Goode, Boydton, Va.
C. J. Point, 312 West Cary Street, Richmond, Va.

To the following one-half gallon each of Velvet Kind Ice Cream has been awarded:

- Mrs. E. P. Wright, Doswell, Va.
Mrs. M. E. Taylor, 711 East Leigh Street, Richmond, Va.
Mrs. A. W. Browning, Jr., 431 Pine Street, Richmond, Va.
Mrs. G. W. Harrington, 720 East Leigh Street, Richmond, Va.
Mrs. A. L. Tulloh, Millboro, Va.

The following twenty-five have been awarded Base Ball Tickets:

- Mrs. T. C. Williams, 4 Cowardin Avenue, South Richmond.
Rush Loving, 2 Cowardin Avenue, South Richmond.
Miss M. Barclift, 4 North Cherry Street, Richmond.
J. R. Stover, 323 West Cary Street, Richmond.
Miss C. B. Jones, 3 South West Street, Richmond.
Miss Annie Fletcher, 716 Greenwood Avenue, Barton Heights, Richmond.
Mrs. L. Washer, 3906 Williamsburg Avenue, Richmond.
Miss Louise Bryce, 4 East Clay Street, Richmond.
Mrs. A. C. Stover, 323 West Cary Street, Richmond.
Mrs. W. Wirt Henry, 1208 Fourth Avenue, Highland Park, Richmond.
Miss Ada Nash, 2122 Taylor Street, Richmond.
Miss Nancy Spotts, care Strickland Machine Co., Twenty-fourth and Main Streets, Richmond.
J. Britt, 20 South Ninth Street, Richmond.
Mrs. A. H. Straus, 2211 Hanover Avenue, Richmond.
Miss Helen C. Tyree, 606 West Spring Street, Richmond.
Miss Gladys Baker, 703 Garland Avenue, Brookland Park, Richmond.
Ray Doubles, 1100 Fourth Avenue, Highland Park, Richmond.
Mrs. Norma L. Rose, 516 North Avenue, Barton Heights, Richmond.
D. W. Mayer, 2323 Hanover Avenue, Richmond.
Mrs. F. B. Frazee, 4 East Thirtieth Street, South Richmond.
Miss Virginia Bryce, 4 East Clay Street, Richmond.
Miss Leita J. Wilson, 2712 East Broad Street, Richmond.
Miss Katherine Morton, Third Avenue and Stuart Street, Richmond.
R. N. Bass, 2419 East Street, Richmond.
Newton Pleasants, 1003 Barton Avenue, Barton Heights, Richmond.

Those who were not successful in this contest still have an opportunity to win a prize—a new contest will be started next week appearing in this paper on Sunday, June 16th.

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